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CHAPTER 221—S.F.No. 1178

*An act relating to elections; allowing school meetings on certain election days; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, sections 204B.36, subdivision 2; and 204C.03, subdivision 3.*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 204B.36, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **CANDIDATES AND OFFICES.** The name of each candidate shall be printed at a right angle to the length of the ballot. At a general election the name of the political party or the political principle of each candidate for partisan office shall be printed above or below the name of the candidate. The name of a political party or a political principle shall be printed in capital and lower case letters of the same type, with the capital letters at least one-half the height of the capital letters used for names of the candidates. At a general election, blank lines shall be printed below the name of the last candidate for each office, or below the title of the office if no candidate has filed for that office, so that a voter may write in the names of individuals whose names are not on the ballot. One blank line shall be printed for each officer of that kind to be elected. At a primary election, no blank lines shall be provided for writing in the names of individuals whose names do not appear on the primary ballot.

On the left side of the ballot at the same level with the name of each candidate and each blank line shall be printed a square in which the voter may designate a vote by a mark (X). Each square shall be the same size. Above the first name on each ballot shall be printed the words, "Put an (X) in the square opposite the name of each candidate you wish to vote for." At the same level with these words and directly above the squares shall be printed a small arrow pointing downward. Directly underneath the official title of each office shall be printed the words "Vote for one" ~~(or more, according to the~~ "Vote for up to ..." ~~(any greater~~ number to be elected).

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 204C.03, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. **PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS.** Except for regularly scheduled classes, ~~no a~~ public elementary or secondary school ~~shall~~ may not schedule a school sponsored event between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on the day that ~~an a~~ regularly scheduled election is held in any political subdivision in which the school is located ~~in that school district.~~

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.

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CHAPTER 222—S.F.No. 449

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CHAPTER 223—S.F.No. 822

*An act relating to the environment; clarifying that certain persons who own or have the capacity to influence operation of property are not responsible persons under the environmental response and liability act solely because of ownership or the capacity to influence operation; amending Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 115B.03, by adding subdivisions.*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 115B.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 5. EMINENT DOMAIN. (a) The state, an agency of the state, or a political subdivision that acquires property through exercise of the power of eminent domain, or through negotiated purchase after filing a petition for the taking of the property through eminent domain, or adopting a redevelopment or development plan under sections 469.001 to 469.134 describing the property and stating its intended use and the necessity of its taking is not a responsible person under this section solely as a result of the acquisition of the property.

(b) A person who acquires property from the state, an agency of the state, or a political subdivision, is not a responsible person under this section solely as a result of the acquisition of property if the property was acquired by the state, agency, or political subdivision through exercise of the power of eminent domain or by negotiated purchase after filing a petition for the taking of the property through eminent domain or adopting a redevelopment or development plan under sections 469.001 to 469.134 describing the property and stating its intended use and the necessity of its taking.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1990, section 115B.03, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. MORTGAGES. (a) A mortgagee is not a responsible person under this section solely because the mortgagee becomes an owner of real property through foreclosure of the mortgage or by receipt of the deed to the mortgaged property in lieu of foreclosure.

New language is indicated by underline, deletions by ~~strikeout~~.